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A VECTOR FOR POLYNUCLEOTIDE VACCINES

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the PTO Official Action mailed on September 13, 2001, applicants present the following amendment and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

- 4. (amended) The humanized polynucleotide vector according to claim 1 wherein the human derived promoter is a RANTES promoter or portion thereof.
- 7. (amended) The humanized polynucleotide vector according to claim 1 further comprising an origin for replication and growth and a nucleic acid sequence which allows for selection of recombinant plasmids.

